

Appl. No. 10/708,338

REMARKS

By this paper, Applicant elects examination of claims 50-53. Claim 51 is currently amended, claim 52 is canceled and new claims 54-56 are submitted to preliminarily amend the application as filed. Claims 50-51 and 53-56 are pending. No new matter is added by the amendment of claim 51 or the inclusion of new claims 54-56 directed to the same invention as claims 50-53. Examination of claims 50, 51, 53-56 on the merits is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding this communication, he is invited to contact the undersigned directly to expedite the resolution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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